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CIMARRON HOLDS THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM OF COLFAX

Cimarron Boy Hurt At The Tunnel

Word reached Cimarron the last of the week that Gene Lambert was quite badly injured while on duty at the Raton tunnel where he is employed as guard. Fear was expressed at first that he was seriously injured internally, but these reports were verified at a later date and are that his injury was in the nature of a fractured rib.

Meager reports are only to be had as to how the accident occurred.

He is again on duty, and his many friends here hope for a rapid recovery.

Transcontinental Freight Smashes House and Wagons

Tearing along at 35 miles an hour, a fast red ball freight carrying 3,000 tons of goods plunged out of a cut into a good sized residence at a crossing just east of the depot in Ft. Sumner and knocked it and two wagons into the smallest kind of kindling wood. Despite the terrific crash and impact the train kept the track.

The house was one which K. W. Edwards was moving from one claim to another, loaded on the running gear of two wagons and pulled by four horses. The outfit stalled while crossing the tracks and as high banks prevented the engineer from seeing the obstruction, the train plunged into it full speed.

Boy Scout Band Doing Good Work

The Boy Scout band which was recently launched in Cimarron, is progressing nicely under the able leadership of Director Ellis. The band practices each Tuesday evening at Scout headquarters for two hours and a notable change in the improvement is noticeable.

The band together with its director is to be commended in showing such improvement. A public concert is to be given some time in the near future, when the citizens can judge for themselves what success has been made by the players.

Maxwell Mockeries

The destruction of the 200 foot section to the Hebron dam will in no wise cause a shortage of water on the tract to the farmers, as all the reservoirs are well filled. The farmers on the Maxwell tract are certainly counting on a prosperous year, and from present indications they will have it.

The new steel fixtures of the post office were put into place last week and add much to the appearance of the interior decorations.

Proclamation For Cleanup Issued

Mayor Bass Designates Thursday As
Cleanup Day In Cimarron, On
May 28th, 1914.

Canon Road To Be Fixed In June

Work on the highway through the beautiful Cimarron Canyon, it is reported, will be started about the 1st of June, by the board of county road commissioners of Colfax county. This work is necessitated by the washouts caused during the recent heavy rains of several weeks ago when the floods did much damage to practically every highway in the county.

The road in the Canyon was repaired voluntarily last summer by the citizens of Cimarron, who had a splendid highway made of it when they were through. It is to be hoped that the commissioners will do much permanent work in the canyon at this time as it is greatly needed for the attraction of tourists who motor from one place to another.

Couple Neglects Offspring For Own Amusement

Considerable complaint has been heard in Las Vegas regarding the actions of a young couple who are said to be in the habit of leaving their baby alone in the house while they go to the picture show or some other place of amusement. The child is declared to have been heard screaming by neighbors, who forced an entrance into the house and ministered to the little one's wants. It is said the parents are neglectful of the comfort of the child in other ways.

Springer Spasms

Miss Agnes Seaberg, a former Springer young lady, will graduate from National Park Seminary at Forest Glen, Maryland, May 28.

The public schools of Springer will close on May 22nd. The faculty has been appointed for the next term and consists of the old teachers.

Harry Clouthier, whose brothers D. A. and J. H. Clouthier live in Springer, where he is now visiting was given just two hours in which to leave El Oro, Mexico together with many other refugees.

In a sensational finish the Maxwell Grays won the ball game from Raton last Sunday, the score being 10 to 11. The two last scores were made in the 9th inning leaving the visiting team defeated. The Grays have not lost a game this season.

The present rainy season is drawing to a close. While so much rainfall has been productive of a few temporary drawbacks, these are nothing as compared with the inestimable amount of good that will naturally follow such abundant precipitation. The local government gauge registered five inches for April and to-date May has surpassed even that mark. This fact assures Cimarron of a good year. The farms and ranches adjacent will produce bountifully. We know of no reason why Cimarron should not maintain its standard of being the best up-to-the-minute village in Colfax county. We have more modern homes than any village our size in the state. Our local business institutions would be a credit to a much larger city. Our streets are being made better all the time. Our concrete walks are being extended just as rapidly as circumstances will permit. We have a very satisfactory sewer system. Our water system is second to none in the state, especially does this apply to quality.

So then let's all work together for a larger and better Cimarron. Let's keep up the good work by having a general clean-up. Everybody knows that "Spring Cleaning" is very essential to the health and happiness of all households. Such is equally as essential to the health, happiness and prosperity of town, village or city. Through the winter months things will accumulate upon the premises of most all property within corporate limits, things that in the summer months become unsanitary, producers of disease and often death. All these things should be properly disposed of at the proper time.

NOW THEREFORE, I, C. R. Bass, Mayor of the village of Cimarron, N. M., do hereby name, designate and proclaim

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1914

as

CLEAN-UP DAY FOR THE VILLAGE OF CIMARRON.

All true citizens of our village are earnestly requested to observe this day most fittingly by giving their property a thorough cleaning, removing all such things as weeds, tin cans, ash heaps, wire and all other unsightly and unsanitary objects whatsoever therefrom.

If the various residents will have these things properly accumulated in piles or heaps, easy of access, the village will furnish teams to haul away such junk upon this day ONLY. To all who intend to take advantage of this offer it is suggested that you have your rubbish properly gathered and placed early.

Done this May 18, 1914.

C. R. Bass,

Mayor.

Horse Falls On Rider Who Breaks Collar Bone

While trying to subdue an unruly horse Monday at Magdalena, Grover Mayberry, a ranchman near Datil, had his collar bone broken and his shoulder dislocated by the animal falling upon him. He was taken to the Socorro hospital in an auto and placed under the care of Dr. Parvis where he is said to be resting comfortably. His hurts are painful but not dangerous.

Pioneer's Grave Near Ft. Sumner

Grave Of Lucien Maxwell Located;
No Marker On the Spot Where
He Was Buried Years Ago

The grave of Lucien B. Maxwell one of New Mexico's best remembered pioneers, is located in an old and unused graveyard about eight miles below Fort Sumner, on land owned by the Fort Sumner Land and Canal company. No stone marks his resting place and it is more than likely than within another decade or two the spot will be hard to locate.—Fort Sumner Review.

The remains of Lucien B. Maxwell should by all means be transferred to the grave wherein lies his wife and daughter, at the west end of what used to be the Maxwell store in old town. Grandmother Abreu a few years ago went to considerable expense in having the grave of Mrs. Maxwell and daughter, who was her sister, properly cared for, by the laying of a heavy stone on the spot with a substantial iron frame around it.

Lucien B. Maxwell was a man of far too much importance in the making of Colfax County's history to let his grave go to ruins in the far off place at Fort Sumner. A monument that is fitting in proportion to the good he did towards mankind should be placed in Cimarron at some place where it will always be in full view of the public and where it can be properly cared for in the future years to come.

It would only be paying the proper tribute to a man who has long since been forgotten but whose acts and deeds were epoch-making, not only of Colfax county but the entire southwest.

Steps should be taken to pay this tribute to Lucien B. Maxwell at once.

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Going Into Chicken Ranching On A Large Scale

A. J. Ladd who owns a farm 4 miles from town, last week received a shipment of over 300 little chicks but a few days old, from Colorado which he took immediately to the farm, where he will raise them.

Mr. Ladd is going into the chicken business extensively and at the present time is shipping eggs to other towns for consumption.

Car Turns Turtle Near Colfax Town

Heavy rains were responsible for numerous automobile accidents the past week, and while none were seriously injured there were several who had narrow escapes.

The most serious accident occurred a little west of Colfax, 12 miles east of Cimarron, when a car driven by Mr. Rohr, a representative of the Singer Sewing Machine company with headquarters in Trinidad, turned turtle just as the machine was rounding a curve and going down hill. Mr. Rohr who had another man with him were pinned beneath the car, but fortunately for both parties, they were not injured badly, and after turning the car right side up, started on their journey in the machine with its own power. The machine was slightly damaged.

Turbulent Rains Threaten To Wash Out Bridge

The rains the latter part of last week for the second time within three weeks caused the Ponil to rise that it threatened to wash out the railway bridge that crosses the stream one mile east of Cimarron. Section men reported the danger to the agent in time to have him wire headquarters. The train on Friday evening had three carloads of rock that were emptied into the creek at the bridge to keep the water from doing further damage.

Raton Snapshots

The Raton city council at its recent meeting awarded the contract for the municipal building to C. D. Stevens for the contract price of \$26,181. Work will be started as soon as the \$25,000 bond issue has been sold.

A gang of county prisoners are working the scenic highway over the Raton Pass and will continue to work until the highway is fully repaired.

V. D. Augsburg was taken back to Canton, Ohio, where he is wanted for the theft of an automobile. He drove the car from Canton, Ohio to Red River where he was placed under arrest by Sheriff Hixenbaugh. The machine was in his possession.

The commencement exercises of the Raton schools will be held May 28th and 29th. Baccalaureate services May 24 in the high school auditorium.

The Loose Ry. Material Is Moved

Some of the loose material in the local railway yards is being loaded this week to be distributed along the main line of the Santa Fe.

Despite the persistent rumors in different sections of the county and state, the shops have not been removed or torn down, but are in as good condition as they were when they were closed several months ago. The Santa Fe still retains a night watch at the shops at all times to protect their interests.

Not a few papers have stated that the shops have been removed from Cimarron to other places, and in doing so, have attempted to put a blotch onto the fair name of Cimarron.

Mean Man Steals Pants and Shoes From A Parson

While the Rev. E. C. Morgan was sitting in his study Sunday morning in Deming, he noticed a strange man in the back yard. Mr. Morgan asked the man what he wanted who replied that he was hungry. A breakfast was prepared for the man and while he was eating Mr. Morgan found that a pair of trousers and a pair of shoes were missing. He telephoned to the sheriff's office and the deputy sheriff put the stranger under arrest. He had the stolen trousers under his arm and the shoes on his feet. The thief is serving ten days in the jail.

Futile Attempt To Kill The Key City

Some of Colfax county's boosters are determined to kill Cimarron and not even give her an honorable burial. No reasons can be recalled why Cimarron has not been accorded the same friendship as other towns are enjoying. The citizens of Cimarron are among the most loyal and democratic in the state, and are not known to halt and sit down when a little bitter comes with the sweet.

The citizens of Cimarron are awake at all times to their interests and those of the county.

C. T. Brown Quits

C. T. Brown has tendered to Governor McDonald his resignation as a member of the board of regents of the New Mexico State school of Mines at Socorro. The reason Mr. Brown gives the governor for his action is that he is not in sympathy with either the action or the methods of the majority of the board. Mr. Brown has served the School of Mines as a member of its board of regents for sixteen years.